

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to improve the style of this application. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the careful reading of this application, and for pointing out discrepancies. Applicant also thanks the Examiner for indicating how the present claims define over the prior art.

It is Applicant's position that the changes to the claims overcome the rejections, and that this application is now in conformance with U.S. Patent regulations. Applicant respectfully requests that this application be passed to issuance.

If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions which would further favorable prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative by telephone to discuss possible changes.

Favorable action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted
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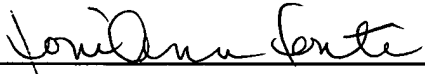
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